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Rep. Stephanie Herseth Sandlin, D-S.D., announced Thursday that she is a co-sponsor of a bipartisan bill to stop a congressional pay raise in 2011. The bill, which was introduced by Rep. Harry Mitchell, D-Ariz., and Ron Paul, R-Texas is H.R. 4255, the Stop the Automatic Pay Raise for Members of Congress in Fiscal Year 2011 Act.

The congresswoman also supported legislation last year to block a pay raise for Congress in 2010. That legislation passed, and members of Congress will not get a pay raise this year.

"With budgets tight and South Dakotans tightening their belts, I don't think Congress should get a pay raise," Herseth Sandlin said.